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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Commissioner:

In response to the Office Action mailed November 24, 2006, the Applicants submit the following:

Amendments to the **Drawings** are not being made by this paper.

Amendments to the **Specification** are not being made by this paper.

Amendments to the **Claims** are not being made by this paper; a clean copy of the claims-as-they-stand is included beginning page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.